

HOUSE BILL 25

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,  
relative to special education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-10-902(b), is amended by deleting the subsection.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-10-901, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(e) The Tennessee School for the Deaf shall establish a branch school for the deaf located in middle Tennessee.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-10-801(c), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (c)(1) and adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(2) Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, the land, buildings, and appurtenances of the school are to be used by the Tennessee School for the Blind, exclusively.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-50-1001(a)(1)(B), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

Elect, on the recommendation of the commissioner, the president, superintendents, teachers, officers, and other employees for those schools; provided, that the schools shall not share the same president, superintendent, or officers at the same time;

SECTION 5. Nothing in this act shall be construed as interfering with existing contracts.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.